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Claims Amendment A:

1. (currently amended): A threaded attachment for application on an elongated member ~~a tube, rod, cable or the like~~, comprising:

- a) a sleeve with helical threads on its outside diameter and with a longitudinal gap for its full length, and
- b) a liner adhesively bonded to the inside surface of said sleeve,

whereby said gap can be expanded sufficiently to allow said sleeve and said liner to fit over said elongated member ~~tube, rod, cable, or the like~~, whereby said sleeve and said liner can subsequently be compressed so that said liner contacts said elongated member ~~tube, rod or cable~~ and adhesively joins said sleeve concentrically to said elongated member ~~tube, rod or cable~~, and whereby said elongated member ~~tube, rod or cable~~ is therefore configured with external threads.

2. (previously presented): The threaded attachment of Claim 1 wherein said sleeve is made of flexible plastic.

3. (previously presented): The threaded attachment of Claim 1 wherein said outside diameter contains a plurality of notches to improve flexibility.

4. (previously presented): The threaded attachment of Claim 1 wherein said sleeve contains a flange.

5. (previously presented): The threaded attachment of Claim 4 wherein said flange contains a plurality of notches to improve flexibility.

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Claims Amendment A: (continued)

6. (currently amended): The threaded attachment of Claim 1 wherein the inside surface of said sleeve and said liner are configured to accommodate a variety of different shaped elongated members ~~tubes, rods and cables~~.

7. (currently amended): A method of securing a threaded attachment with an adhesive liner onto an elongated member ~~a tube, rod or cable~~, comprising the steps of:

- a) spreading said threaded attachment sufficiently to encompass said elongated member ~~tube, rod or cable~~,
- b) engaging said threaded attachment over said elongated member ~~tube, rod or cable~~, and
- c) compressing said threaded attachment concentrically over said elongated member ~~tube or rod~~,

whereby said threaded attachment becomes adhesively bonded to said elongated member ~~tube, rod or cable~~.